CERES Angular Distribution Model Working Group Report



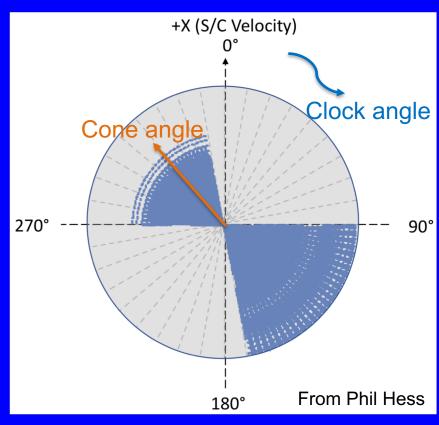
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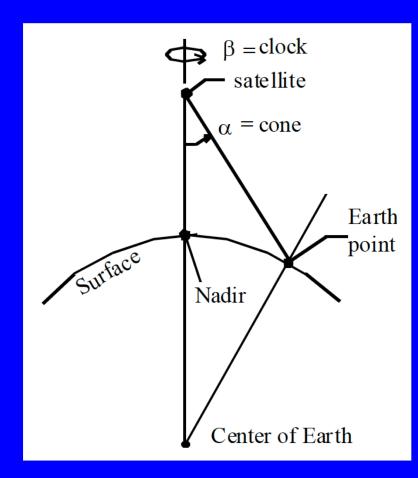
Placing NPP in rotating azimuth plane scan (RAPS) mode to collect data for ADM development

- Lessons learned from Terra/Aqua show that full RAPS mode accelerates the detector degradation;
- To avoid the degradation, NPP can not be placed in the full RAPS mode;
- Restricted azimuth and limited Sun exposure scan mode was proposed:
 - For solar beta angle < 24°
 - Clock angle between 90°-169°, and cone angle between 0°-64°
 - Clock angle between 270°-349°, and cone angle between 0°-38°.
 - For solar beta angle ≥ 24°
 - Clock angle between 90°-180°, and cone angle between 0°-64°
 - Clock angle between 270°-360°, and cone angle between 0°-38°.



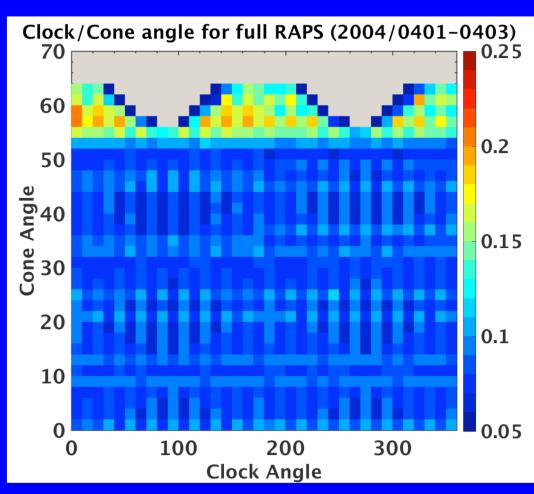
Cone and clock angle

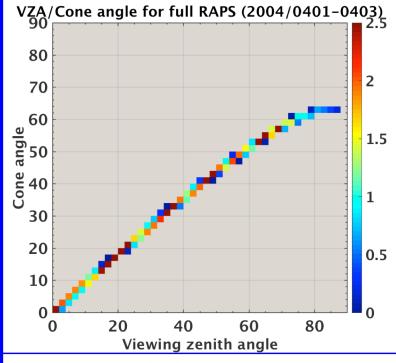
- The cone angle is the angle between a vector from the satellite to the center of the Earth and the instrument view vector from the satellite to the Earth point (ranges from 0° to 90°)
- The clock angle is the azimuth angle of the instrument view vector from the satellite to the Earth point relative to the inertial velocity vector (ranges from 0° to 360°)
- The clock angle and the cone angle define the direction of the instrument view vector to the Earth point.

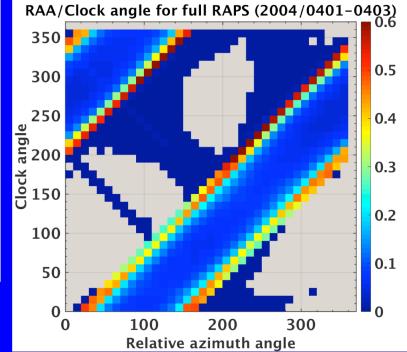


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Relationship between viewing zenith angle and cone angle, between relative azimuth angle and clock angle for full RAPS

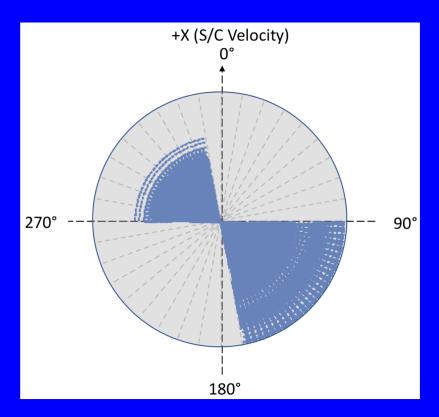


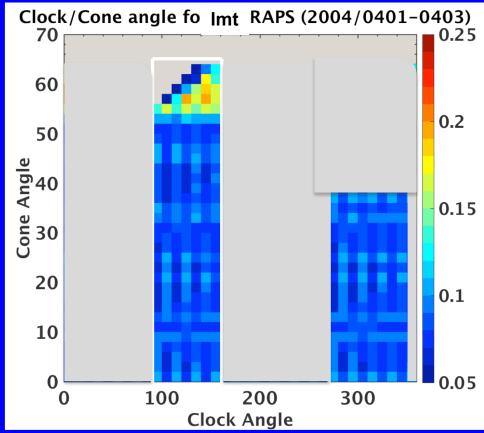




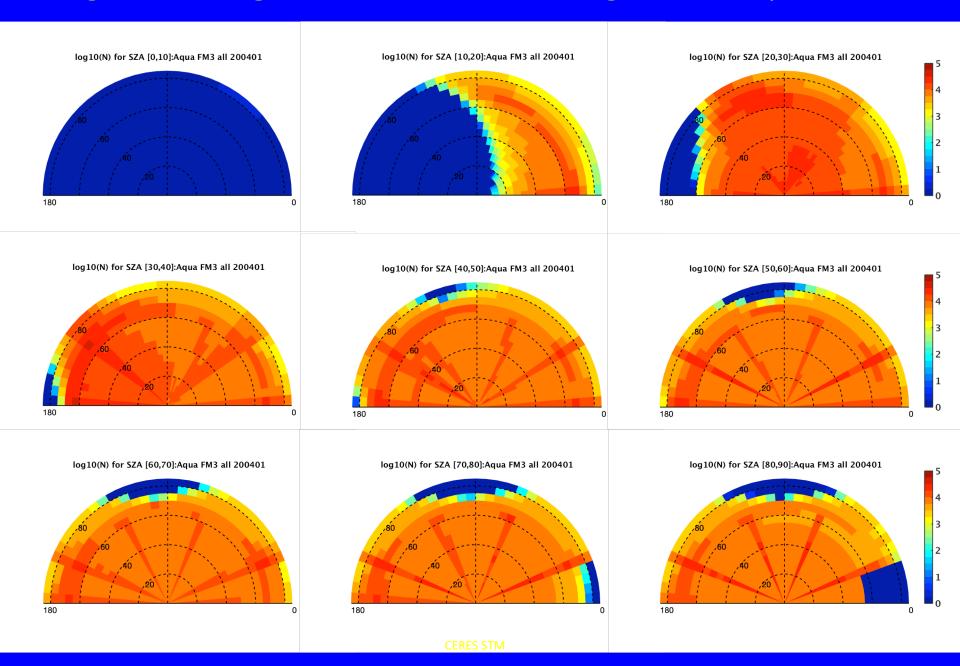
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Limited Sun exposure only sample ~ 1/3 of the full RAPS footprints

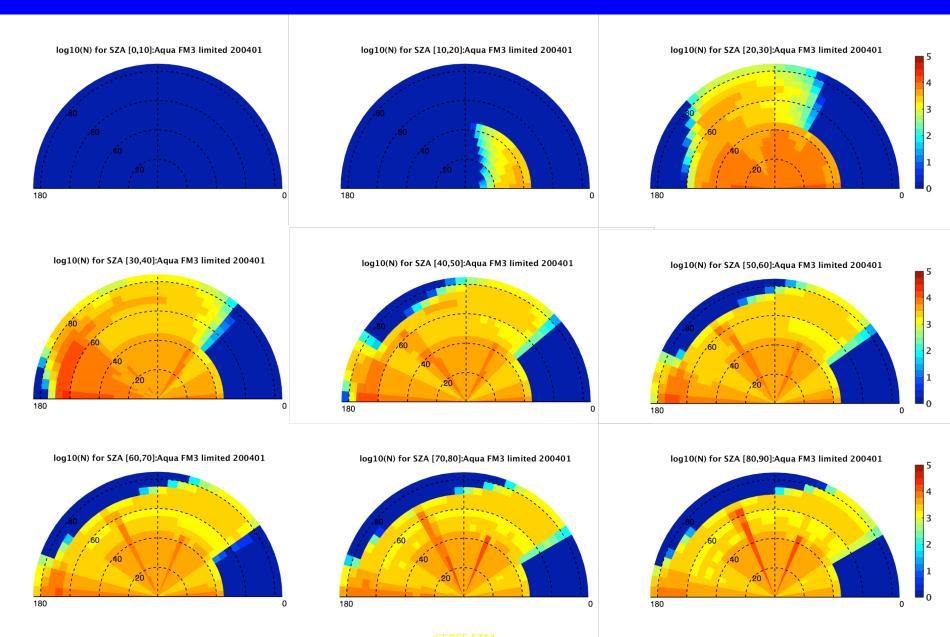




Angular coverage of full RAPS mode for global all-sky: 200401



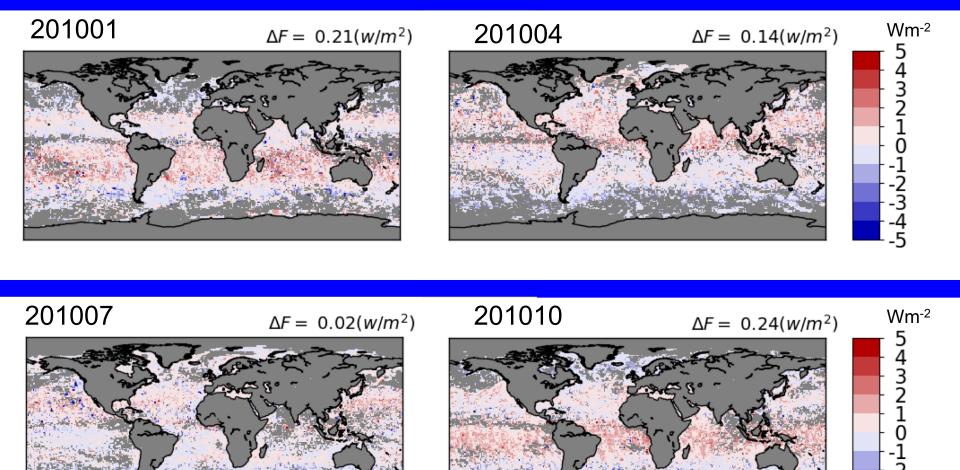
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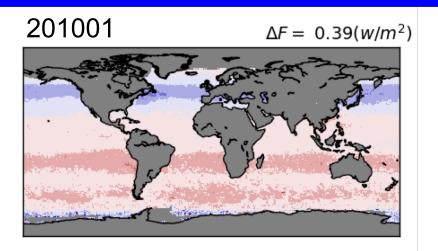
Assessing the effects of using limited RAPS on ADMs and on flux

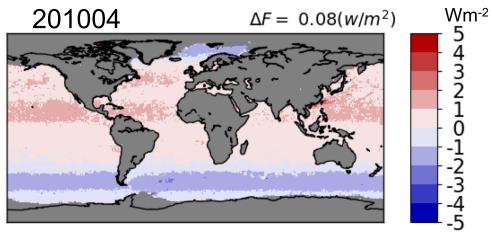
- Construct two sets of ADMs using same code and same input files (2.5 years of RAPS and 2.5 years of cross track data)
 - One ADMs use the full RAPS
 - The other use the limited RAPS
- Use these two sets of ADMs to invert fluxes: $F=\pi I/R$
- Examine the difference between flux inverted from limited RAPS ADMs and from full RAPS ADMs: $\Delta F = F(limited ADMs) F(full ADMs)$

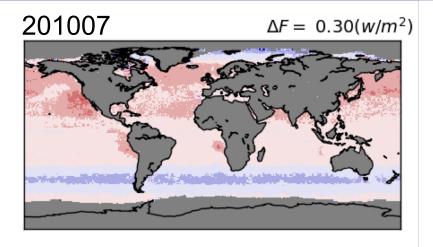
SW flux difference over clear ocean

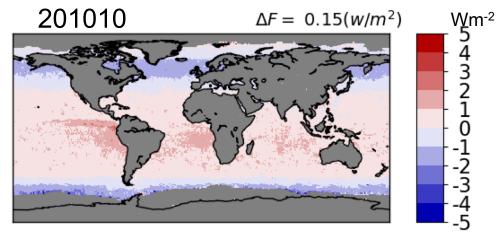


SW flux difference over cloudy ocean

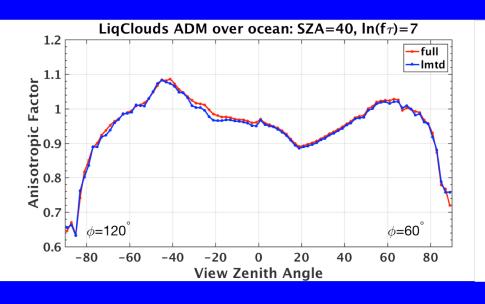


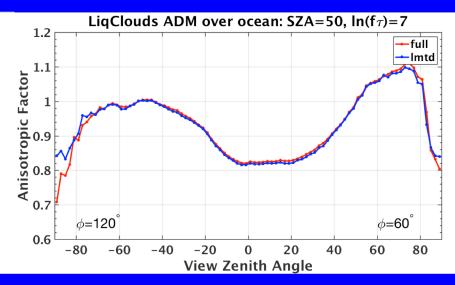


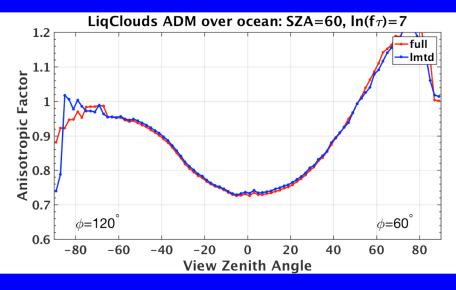


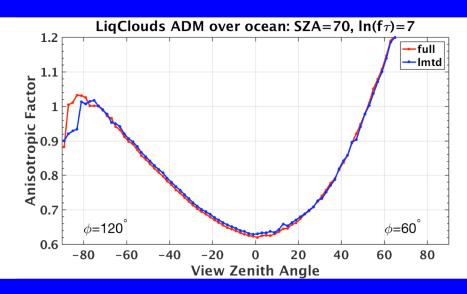


SW anisotropic factor comparison over cloudy ocean

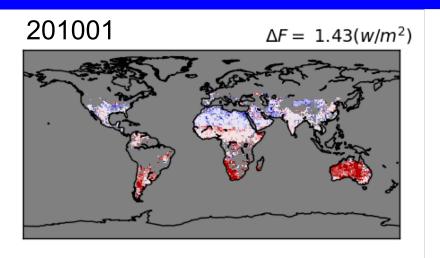


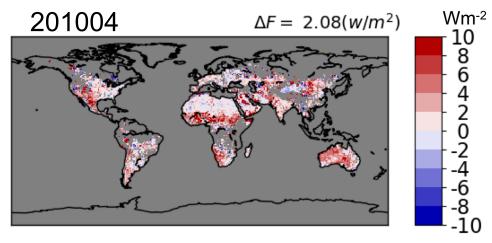


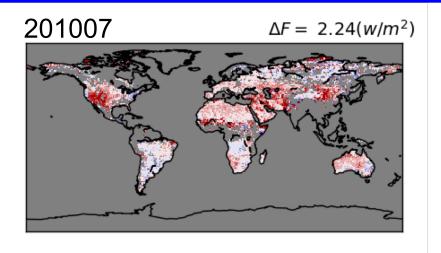


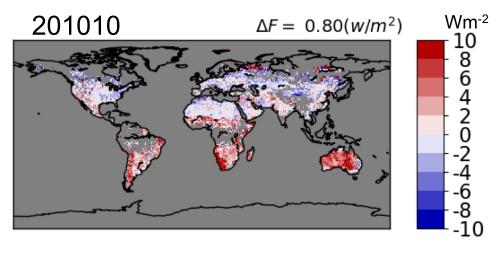


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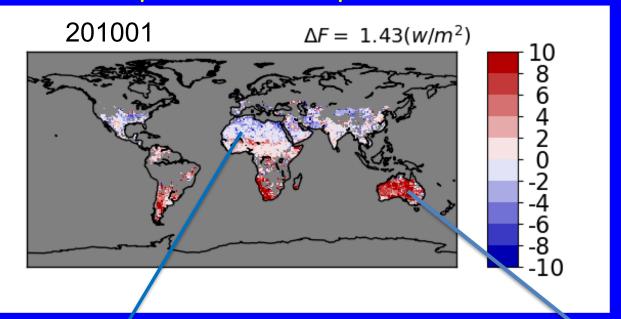


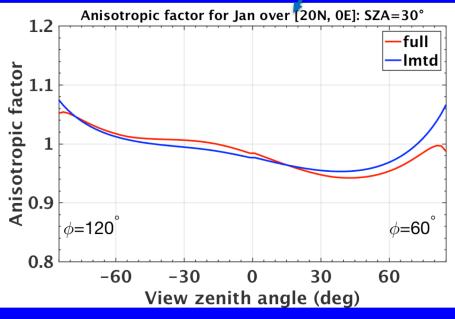


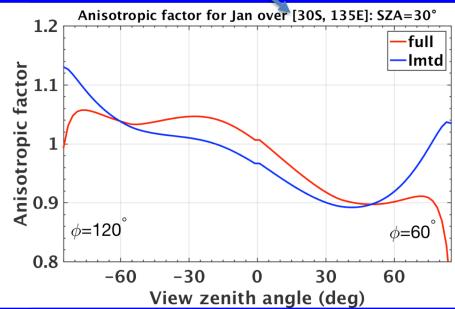




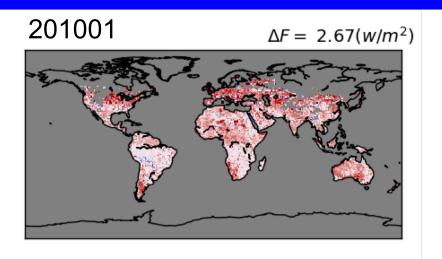
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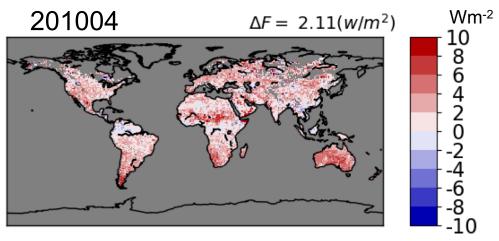


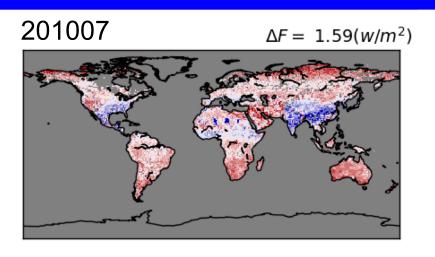


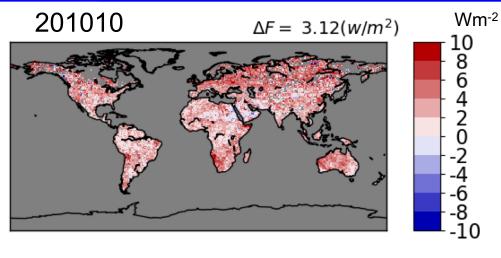


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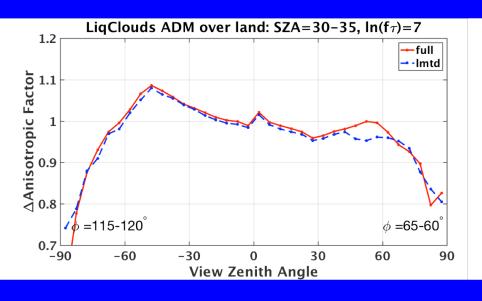


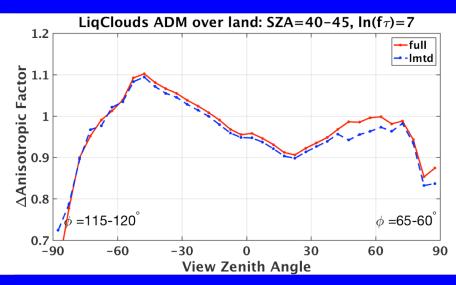


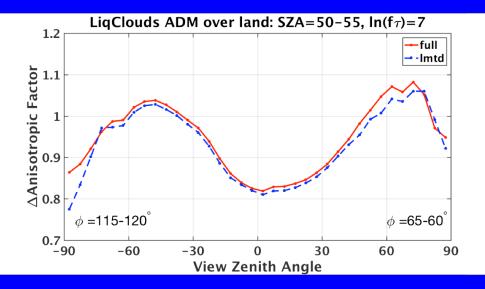


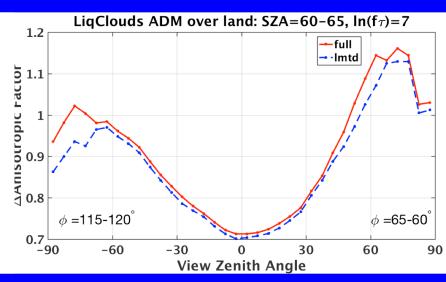


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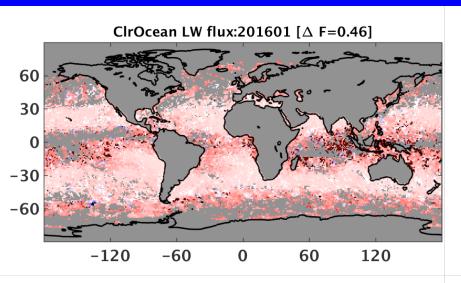


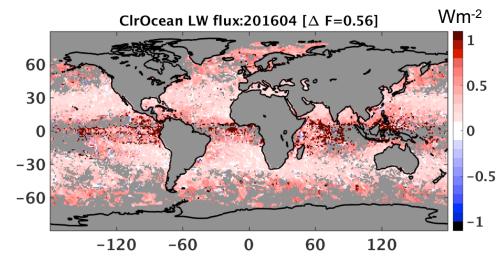


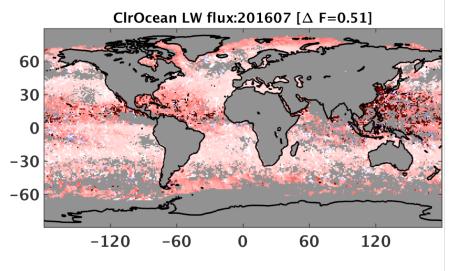


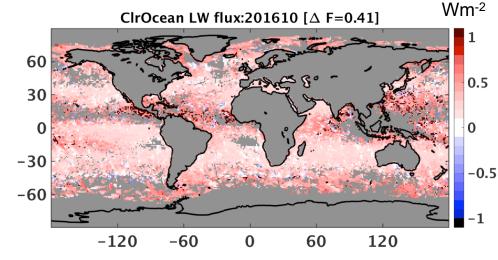


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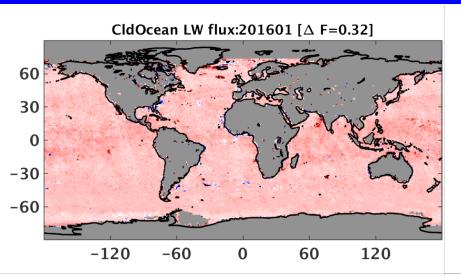


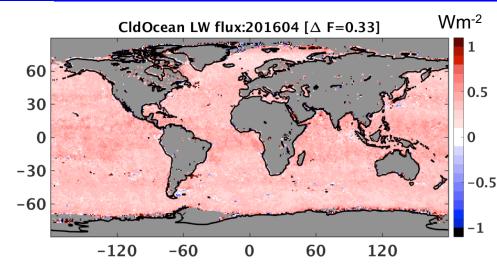


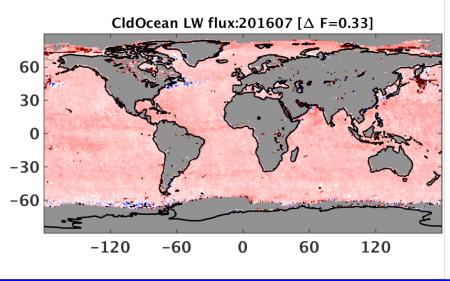


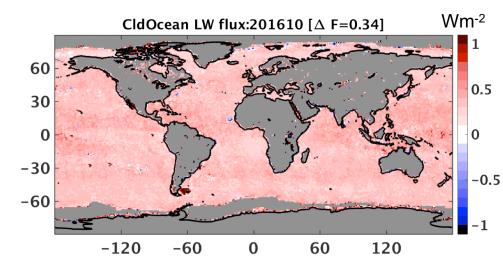


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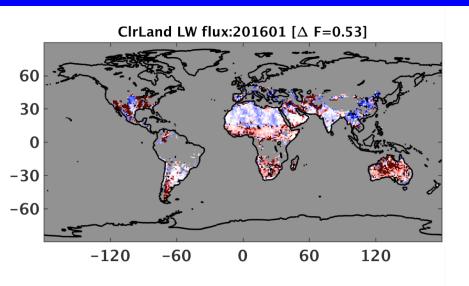


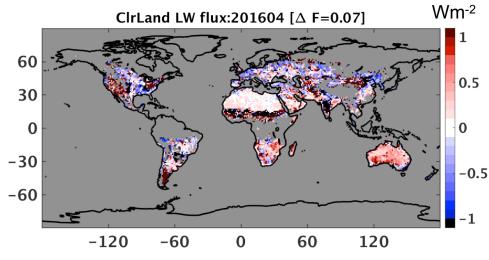


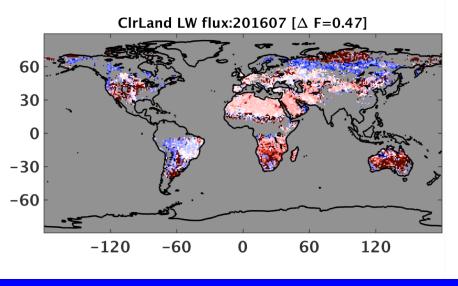


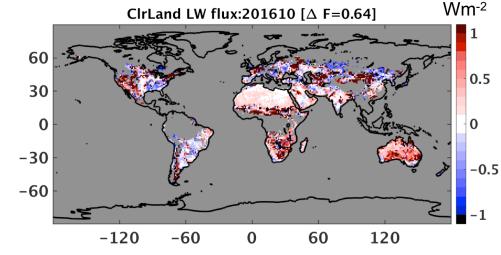


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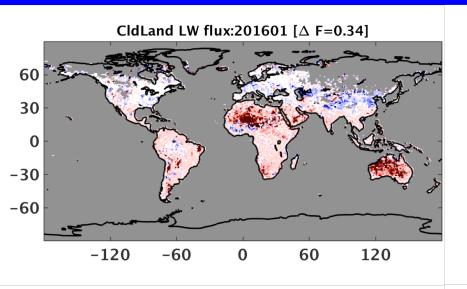


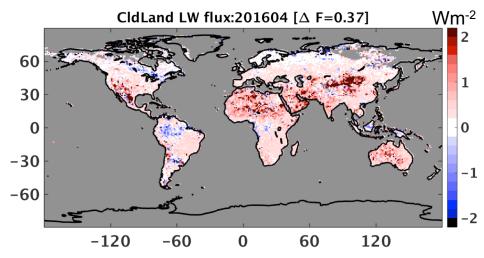


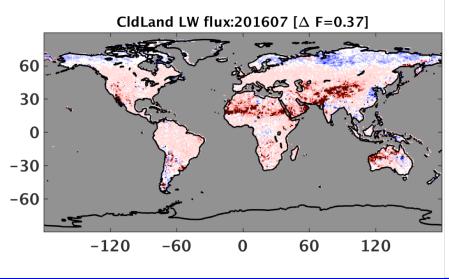


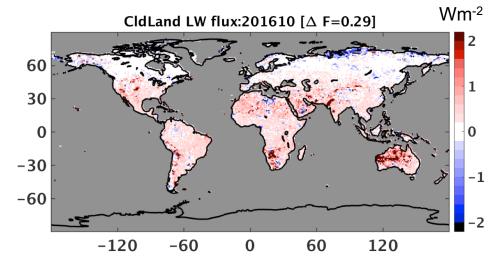


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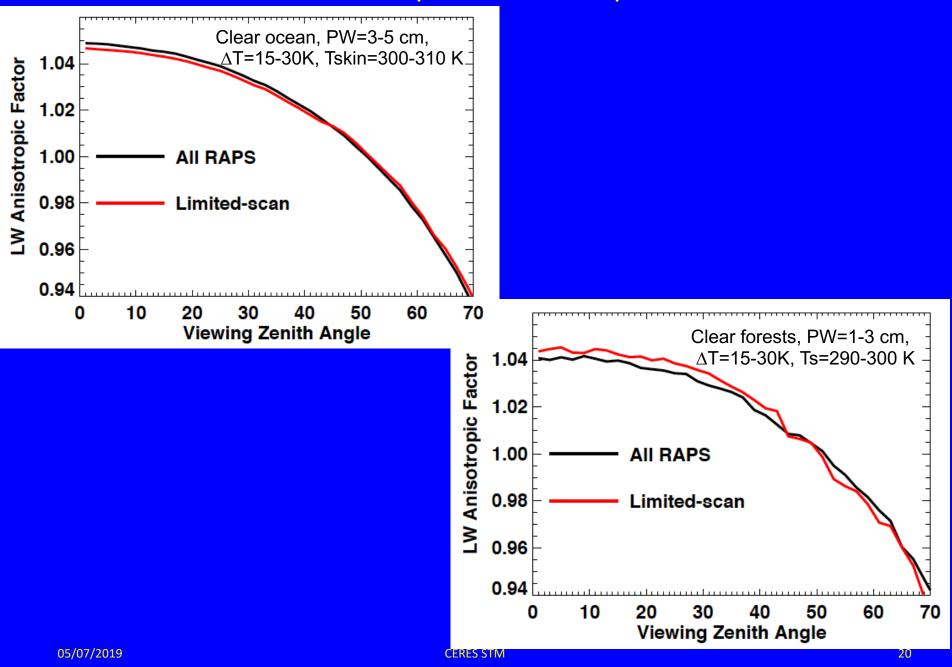






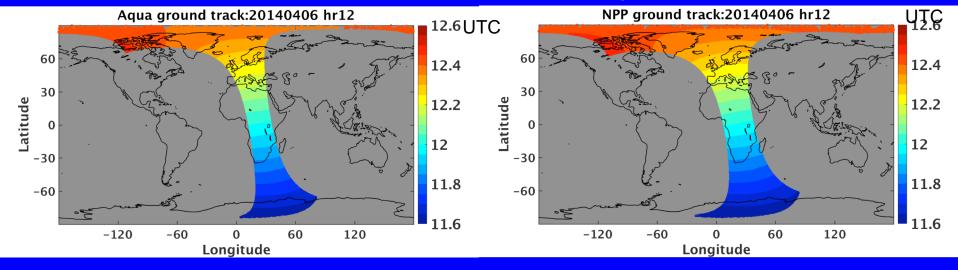




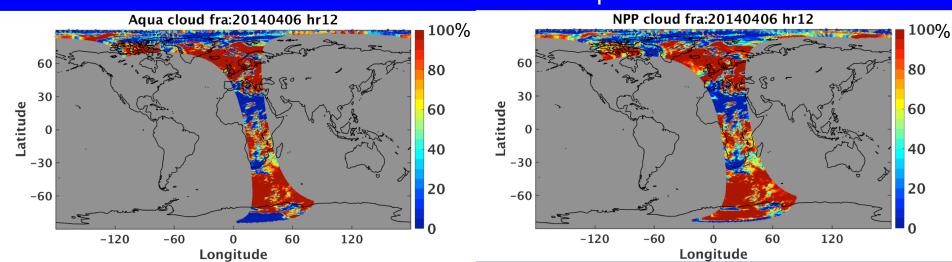


Simultaneous observations of Aqua and NPP: ~every 64 hours, Aqua and Suomi-NPP fly "in tandem"

Time of observations when Aqua and NPP fly in tandem



Cloud fraction retrievals for Aqua and NPP

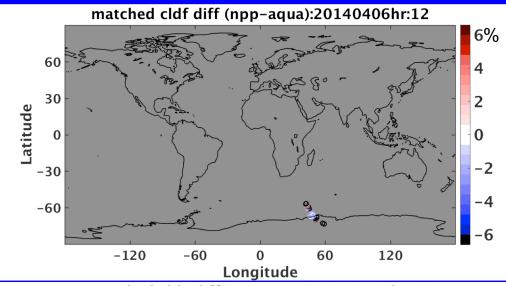


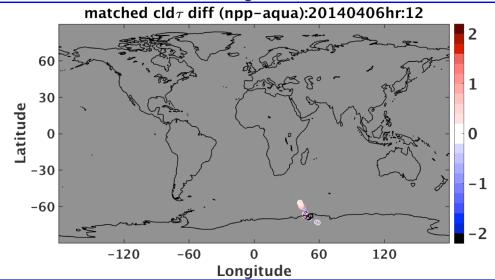
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Cloud property consistency between Aqua and NPP

- These simultaneous observations from Aqua and Suomi-NPP are matched to compare cloud fraction (f) and cloud optical depth (τ) using only observations taking at VZA<10°.
- Matching criteria are:
 - latitude and longitude
 differences are less than
 0.05 degree, solar zenith
 angle and viewing zenith
 angle differences are less
 than 2 degrees, relative
 azimuth angle difference is
 less than 5 degrees.

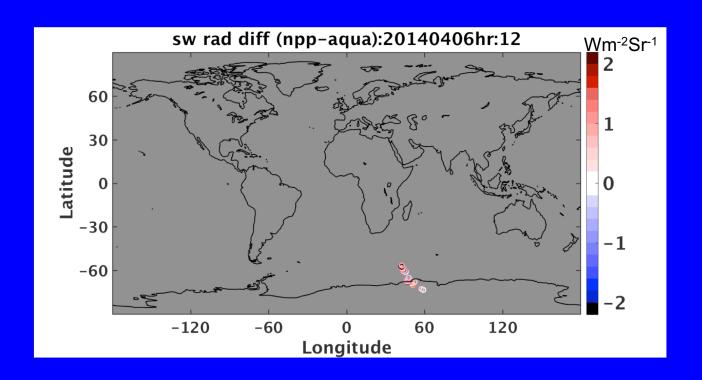
Only 59 matched footprints





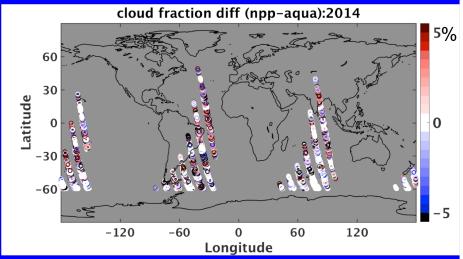
Minimize the effect of calibration difference on flux comparison

- Ed1 NPP and Ed4 Aqua are not on the same radiometric scale
- To minimize the effect of calibration difference on flux comparison,
 the NPP radiances are scaled to be the same as the Aqua radiances
- All results are based upon the matched daytime footprints of 2014



Cloud property difference for matched footprints over 60°S-60°N

Cloud fraction

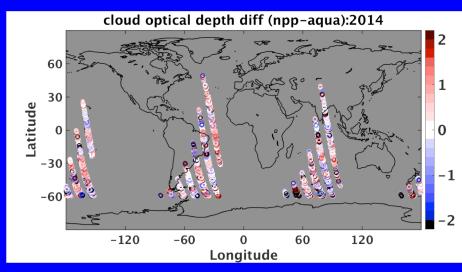


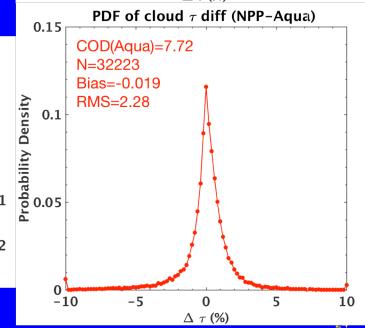
N=32223 Bias=-1.2% RMS=6.5% 0.1

PDF of cloud fraction diff (NPP-Aqua)

f(Aqua)=73.1%

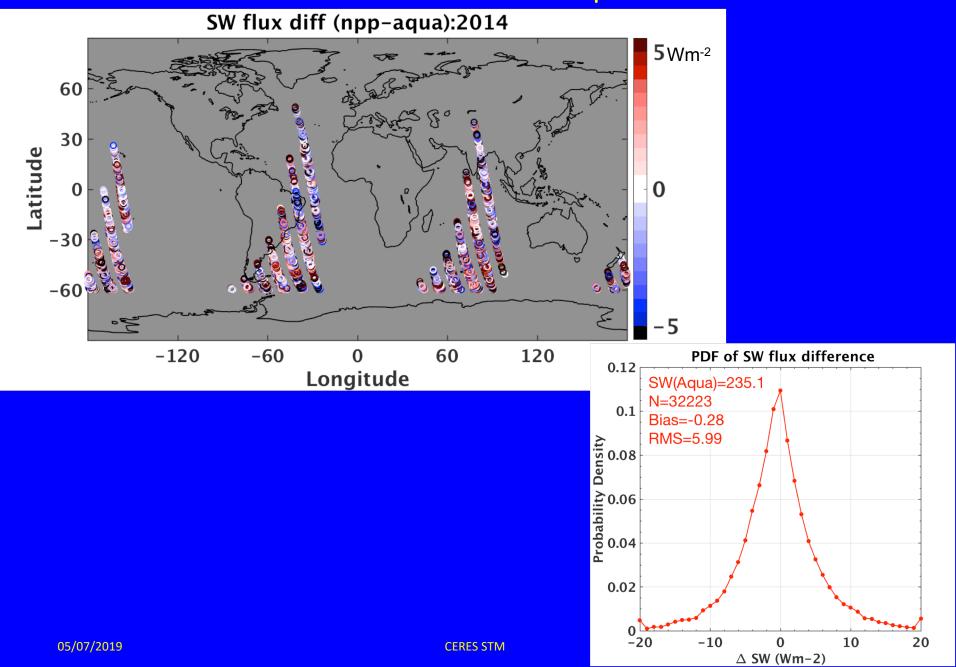
Cloud optical depth



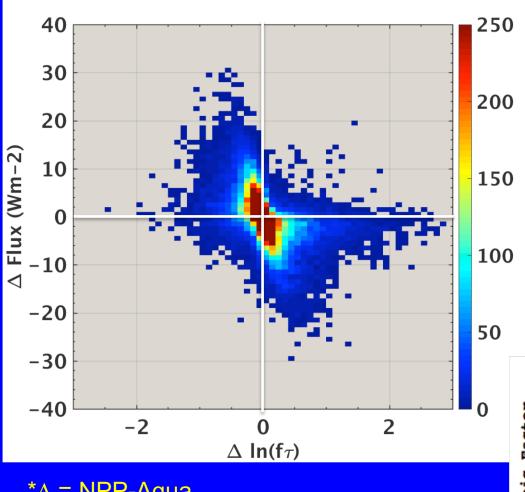


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SW flux difference for matched footprints over 60°S-60°N



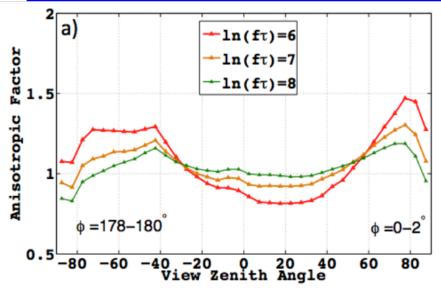
SW flux difference vs. ln(ft) difference over 60°S-60°N



 $^*\Delta$ = NPP-Aqua

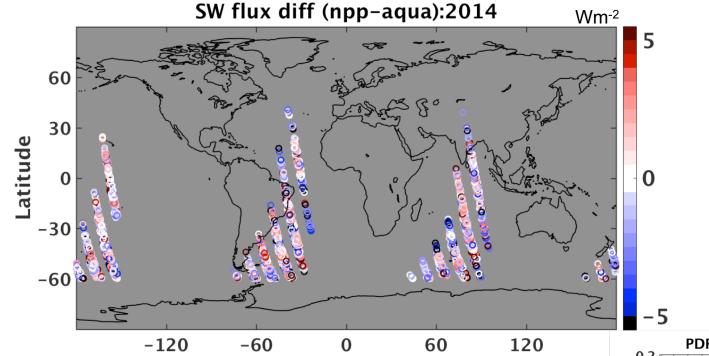
$$F = \frac{\pi I}{R}$$

- If In(ft) from NPP is smaller than that from Aqua, the anisotropic factor derived using NPP scene id is smaller than that derived using Aqua scene id
- The inverted NPP flux is thus greater than the Aqua flux based upon their individual scene id



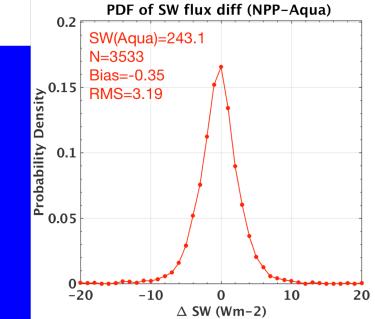
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SW flux difference for matched footprints with $\Delta f < 2\%$ and $\Delta \tau < 0.2$ over $60^{\circ}S-60^{\circ}N$



Longitude

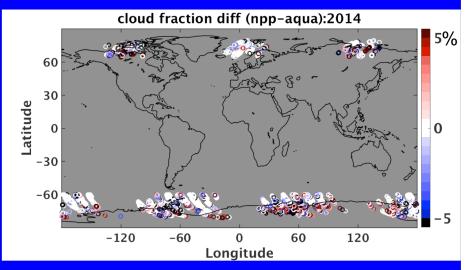
- Only about 10% of the matched footprints have small cloud fraction and optical depth difference;
- When cloud f/τ agree, the RMS error is reduced by 50%.

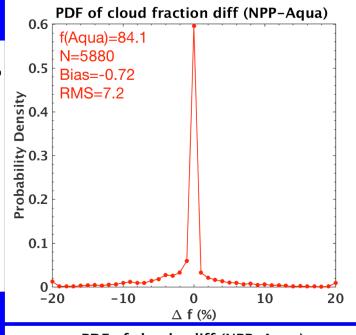


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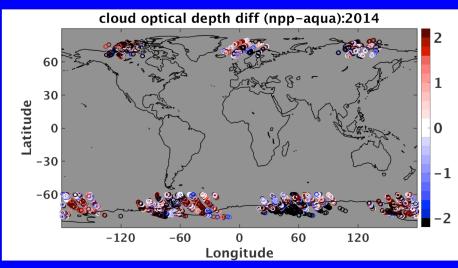
Cloud property difference for matched footprints poleward of 60°

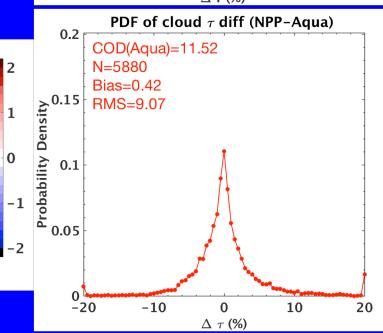
Cloud fraction





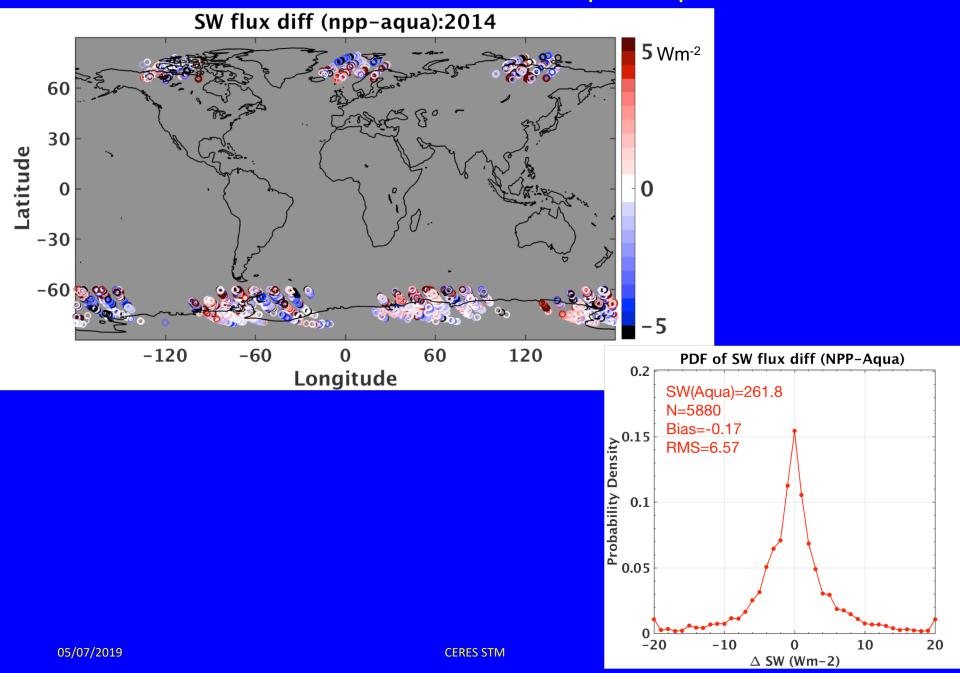
Cloud optical depth



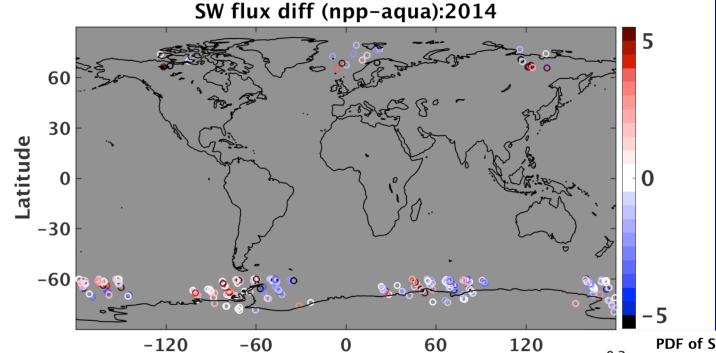


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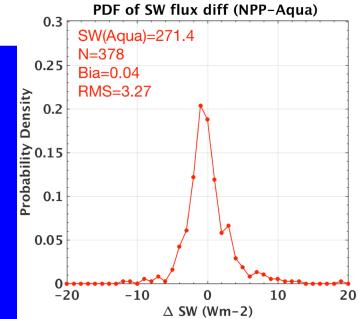


SW flux difference for matched footprints poleward of 60° with $\Delta f < 2\%$ and $\Delta \tau < 0.2$



Longitude

- Only about 6.5% of the matched footprints have small cloud fraction and optical depth difference;
- When cloud f/τ agree, the RMS error is reduce by about 50%;

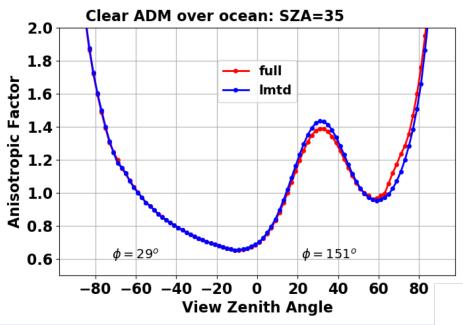


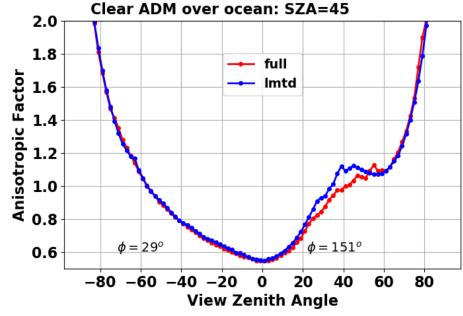
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Summary

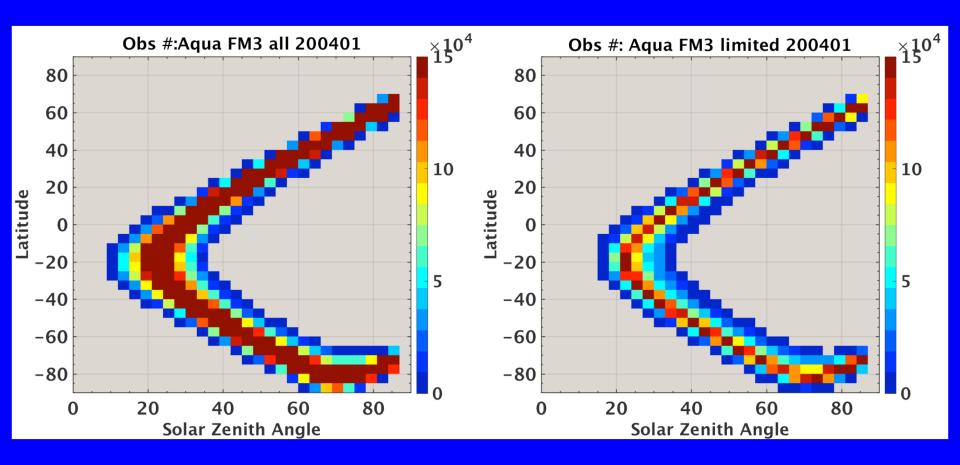
- CERES on NPP can only be placed in limited Sun exposure scan mode.
 This limited scan mode only provides about 1/3 of the measurements comparing to the full RAPS mode
- Fluxes inverted using ADMs developed with the limited RAPS are compared with fluxes inverted using ADMs developed with the full RAPS
 - Monthly mean instantaneous SW flux differences over ocean are small, but large biases are observed over land
 - Monthly mean daytime LW flux differences are all positive over ocean, and larger differences are observed over land
- Matched NPP and Aqua nadir footprints are used to investigate cloud property differences on SW flux inversion
 - RMS error is reduced by ~50% when only consider footprints with small cloud fraction (<2%) and cloud optical depth (<0.2) differences.

SW anisotropic factor comparison over clear ocean





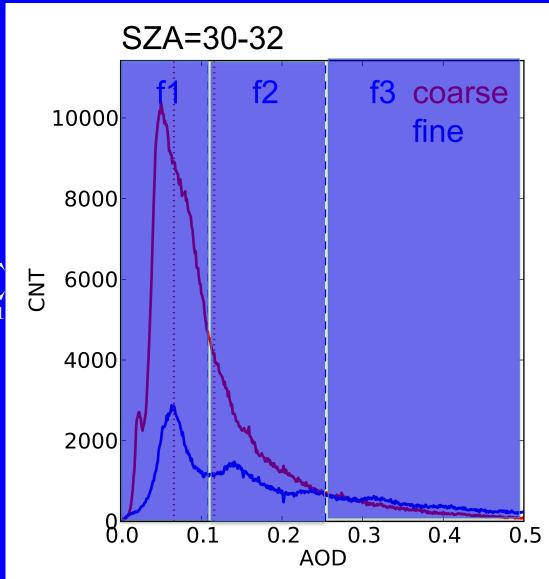
Limited scan reduced number of footprints in RAPS mode by ~67%



Ed4ADM over clear ocean accounts for aerosol loading and type

 AOD retrieval based upon a fine-mode aerosol look-up table (urban) and a coarse-mode aerosol look up table (maritime);

- Stratify fine-mode aerosols into 3 AOD bins and coarse-mode aerosols into 3 AOD bins;
- Build ADM for each AOD bin and type separately (6 ADMs).



Angular distribution model over clear land

- Collect clear-sky CERES reflectance over $1^{\circ} \times 1^{\circ}$ regions for each month;
- Stratify reflectance within each $1^{\circ}\times1^{\circ}$ region by NDVI (0.1) and $\cos\theta_0$ (0.2);
- Apply a modified RossLi fit to produce BRDF and ADM for each NDVI and $cos\theta_0$ intervals within each 1°×1° region.
 - B1 estimates the directional reflectance of a flat surface with randomly distributed and oriented protrusions;
 - B2 approximates the radiative transfer within a vegetation canopy, accounts for the hot spot effect;

$$\rho(\mu_0, \mu, \phi) = k_0 + k_1 \cdot B_1(\mu_0, \mu, \phi) + k_2 \cdot B_2(\mu_0, \mu, \phi)$$

Angular distribution model over cloudy ocean

- For glint angle > 20°, or glint angle < 20° and $\ln(f\tau)$ > 6:
 - Average instantaneous radiances into 775 intervals of $\ln(\mathrm{ft})$ for each angular bin (2°) separately for liquid, mixed, and ice clouds;
 - Apply a five-parameter sigmoidal fit to mean radiance and $\ln(ft)$;

$$I = I_0 + \frac{a}{[1 + e^{-(x - x_0)/b}]^c}$$

- For glint angle $< 20^{\circ}$ and $\ln(ft) < 6$:
 - Calculate mean radiance for 6 wind speed bins and 4 $\ln(\mathrm{ft})$ bins;
 - Use mean radiance to build ADM

Angular distribution model over cloudy land

- Use land clear to calculate p^{clr};
- Use lookup table (17 SZA and 19 COD) to calculate the scattering by the surface and atmosphere transmitted through the clouds;

$$fI^{cld}(\mu_0, \mu, \phi) = I(\mu_0, \mu, \phi) - (1 - f) \frac{\mu_0 E_0}{\pi} \rho^{clr}(\mu_0, \mu, \phi) -$$

$$f\frac{\mu_0 E_0}{\pi} \left[\rho^{clr}(\mu_0, \mu, \phi) e^{-\pi/\mu_0} e^{-\pi/\mu} + \overline{\alpha}^{clr} \frac{t^{cld}(\tau, \mu_0) t^{cld}(\tau, \mu)}{1 - \overline{\alpha}^{clr} \overline{\alpha}^{cld}(\tau)} \right]$$

- Bin instantaneous fI^{cld} into 380 ln(fT) bins;
- Calculate the mean fI^{cld} for each ln(fT) bin;
- Apply a five-parameter sigmoidal fit to mean fI^{cld} and ln(fT)

$$I = I_0 + \frac{a}{[1 + e^{-(x - x_0)/b}]^c}$$